



Food Glorious Food

Year 5 are enjoying the start of their 'Food Glorious Food' topic. In English, we have been reading and exploring the classic Charles Dicken's novel, 'Oliver Twist.' We have answered questions about the text; explored the historical language and compared two versions of the text to identify similarities and differences.

We have explored the main character, Oliver, and have taken part in many drama activities such as hot seating, conscience alley and role play. The children's acting skills were very impressive! We then used this drama work to write in role as the character in a diary entry.

This week, we have been answering the question, 'Is Fagin a hero or a villain?' We have worked in groups to create a presentation on this topic before writing it up as a balanced argument.

In topic, we have also been learning about food and where it comes from. We have learned about trading and distribution. This week, we explored the idea of fair trading and the children produced some great posters to persuade others to buy Fairtrade products.

Over the next few weeks, we will use all of our 'Food Glorious Food' knowledge to plan, design and make food products through our DT work.

Cole Maketo-Baines – 'I liked writing the diary in the role of Oliver Twist. I also enjoyed producing the Fairtrade poster and learning about how we can make things fair for traders.'

Scarlett Jenkinson – 'I enjoyed looking at the different characters in Oliver Twist and



discussing whether they are a good or bad influence on Oliver.'

Strawberry Picking

In Gardening club, the children were great explorers in the allotment, where they found the most amazing strawberries. They were huge and rosy red and they tasted delicious. The children washed and cut the strawberries and made a very special delivery to Mrs Lawrenson.

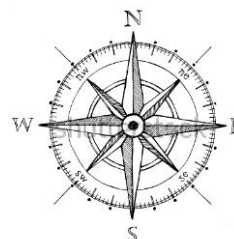


Robin Explorers

Mrs. Narraway and Mr. Duckett have been working in partnership with some schools in Bradford and with the Ordnance Survey Team to look at ways in which to improve geographical skills in primary school children.

As part of the training, they looked at using ordnance survey maps, using four and six figure grid references (Years 5 and 6) but also ways in which they can be used with children as young as Year 1.

They moved on to using a computing program called Digimap Schools which provides online ordnance survey maps and has a plethora of tools which help the children engage in map making and reading. It even has the capacity to change the current map of an area to the 1890s so the children can compare how areas have changed over time. The great news is that the children can log on to this at home. We will begin our subscription in September so further details will be sent in the new academic year.



Tag Rugby

During this final half term of the school year, Years 3 and 4 are participating in Tag Rugby sessions which are being conducted by the Warrington Wolves. With a focus on fun and inclusion, the sessions will help the children to improve on skills such as passing, kicking, tackling and teamwork.

The children are thoroughly enjoying the sessions and increasing in confidence and ability each week.

Daniel Simmons – 'I'm really looking forward to playing Tag Rugby. I also liked Grip and Carry and Numbers they were really fun.'

Rachel Leadbeater
– 'I really enjoyed the Numbers game bit that was really hard as everyone was trying their best and it was really good fun.'



READING LADDER w/e 16th June 2017

	Y2 93%	+
	REC 77%	+
	Y5 70%	+
	Y1 63%	+
	Y4 58%	-
	Y3 50%	-
	Y6 43%	-

Please look at our School Blogs on the front page of our website this weekend for the latest class news.

THIS WEEK IT IS THE TURN OF:

NEWCHURCH BLOG	Y3
MATHEMATICS	Y2
READING BLOG	Y6

September Intake

There are still limited places available to join our Newchurch Family.

Please contact the office for any further information



Attendance w/e 16th June 2017
Our whole target is 97.5%



Y3 98.67%

Y4 98%

Y2 97.19%

Y1 95%

Rec 94.52%

Y6 90 %

Please remember to telephone school if your child is unwell so that such absences can be recorded as authorised. If permission is not given for a holiday or we are not informed of the reason for an absence, it will have to be recorded as unauthorised. Thank you.

SCHOOL DIARY DATES

27-28.6.17	Y3/Y4 swimming
28.6.17	Y6 Science Workshop Culcheth High
30.6.17	Y6 Science Workshop Culcheth High
30.06.17	Garden Party in school – details to follow
5.7.17	Transition morning
6.7.17	Transition morning Y6 to Culcheth High School
6.7.17	Feast of Choirs Y4
11-12.7.17	Y4 Beeston
13.7.17	Y6 leavers concert
14.7.17	Sports Day KS2 am, KS1 pm
14.7.17	Year 6 Prom
17.7.17	Dreams and Aspirations week
19.7.17	Guitar concert for Y5 parents
20.7.17	Reception Cake Sale
20.7.17	Reserve sports day
21.7.17	Leavers assembly – all welcome
29.9.17	Individual photos AM

To help with family financial planning, please be aware, pupils in Year 5 will be going to Kingswood in October and Y4 will be going to Beeston in July 2017.

Have a lovely weekend
Mrs Lawrenson

